Board of Selectmen SPECIAL MEETING

January 28, 2010 – 5:00 PM Town Hall

MINUTES

- **1.0** The meeting was called to order at 5:04 PM by First Selectman Joyce Okonuk. Also present were Selectmen John Bendoraitis and Linda Finelli. Audience: 1
- 2.0 The Selectmen reviewed the final version of their budgets which represented a 1.21% increase over FY 09-10, but still lower than FY 08-09. Selectmen felt the reductions made to date were significant and further reductions cannot happen without reductions in services.
 Moved by Bendoraitis, seconded by Finelli to recommend operating budgets as approved to the Board of Finance for FY 2010-11. Vote: yes, unanimous
- 3.0 Selectmen received a letter from resident John Okonuk re concerns he had following vandalism at his property on Old Meetinghouse Road. The status of road was discussed—road is town-owned, unimproved, and maintained only in the distance permitted by Town Meeting. The rest of the road is not maintained, but none-the-less, still town property. Signage has been in place for years at the section that is not maintained stating "Pass At Your Own Risk" which was the recommendation of Town Attorney to insulate the town from liability. Selectmen felt there was no need to take further action in this regard as the public may now legally access the road, albeit at their own risk. A letter will be sent to Mr. Okonuk including these minutes.
- During the asbestos abatement at the Jonathan Trumbull Children's Library it was determined that the cement floor underneath the floor covering had been significantly eroded while sand-blasting off the asbestos mastic. Consequently, the carpet tile installer requested permission to lay a couple of coats of concrete leveler to the floor prior to the install of the new carpet tiles, as this would provide a much higher quality finish for the carpet. As cove base was also needed in the interior room with the epoxy floor, the cost of the base was not included in the original estimate of costs. It was the recommendation of the First Selectman that these additional expenses be approved.

 Moved by Bendoraitis, seconded by Finelli to approve an additional \$1,073.18 from the TIP Account # 208 510 5117 plus the balance in the Asbestos Abatement Project account of \$42.78 to make payments to Williams Floor Covering for floor repairs and cove base for the Children's Library in the amount of \$992.00 and to Staples in the amount of \$123.96 for floor mats. Vote: yes, unanimous

The Selectmen will review the Walker expenses associated with the Asbestos Project at their next meeting.

5.0 Adjourn

Respectfully Submitted,

Joyce R. Okonuk First Selectman